

Minimising Harm

Communications & Media

Publishing what matters while doing the least damage compatible with that.

Practical measures and vulnerable subjects.

Measures

Publish the detail, not every detail

Anonymise where identification adds nothing

Delay where timing causes avoidable harm

Warn subjects before publication

Consider the long life of a search result

Extra care

Children and those who cannot consent

Victims of crime and of sexual offences

Bereaved families and the recently injured

People at risk of reprisal

Those unused to any media contact

Educational reference. Some categories carry legal restrictions on identification, not merely ethical ones, and these vary by country.